

REMARKS

Please cancel claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 22 and 24 have been amended, and claims 22-24 remain pending. No new matter has been added with these amendments.

The Examiner objected to the specification under 37 CFR 1.75(d)(1) and MPEP § 608.01(o) as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for certain claim limitations. Applicants have cancelled claims containing these limitations. In particular, it is noted that amended base claim 22 now only discusses first and second opposing ends of a sidewall section, not of upper and lower sidewall sections.

Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter Applicants regard as their invention. Applicants have now cancelled claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21. With respect to amended claims 22-24, now including all of the limitations of cancelled base claim 1, Applicants have provided proper antecedent basis for each of the limitations therein, and have removed references to “upper” and “lower” sidewalls sections. It is now respectfully requested that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

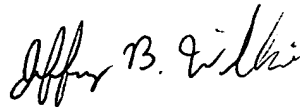
Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Woolworth. As Applicants have now cancelled claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 is considered moot.

Claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Woolworth. As Applicants have now cancelled claim 3, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) is considered moot.

The Examiner stated that claims 22-24 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 22 has been rewritten to include all of the limitations of claim 1, and to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claim 23 depends from claim 22, and claim 24 has been amended to depend from claim 22. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that pending claims 22-24 are in condition for allowance, and a notice of allowance is solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that issues remain outstanding, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' undersigned attorney in an effort to resolve such issues and advance this application to issue. This should be considered a complete response to the Examiner's Office action dated December 29, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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